

**From the Staff at Springbrook Conservation Education Center:**

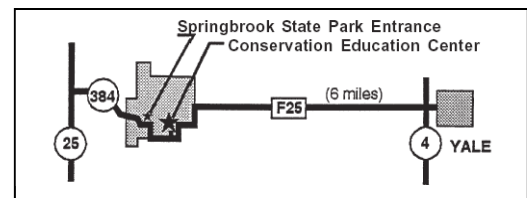
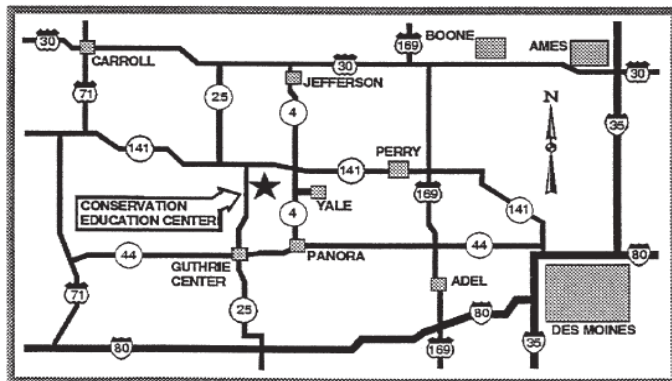
**Thank you for your interest in the Springbrook Conservation Education Center. Below is a brief overview of our facility and information that will help you plan your visit.**

**Who We Are:** We are a residential environmental education facility operated by the Iowa Department of Natural Resources. Our year round facility is a popular destination for school groups, teachers, conservation organizations, governmental organizations, and others. We provide indoor meeting rooms to accommodate almost any type of group as well as over 900 acres of outdoor classroom space. School Groups and Conservation Education Groups qualify for staff assisted educational programs. Other groups may inquire about their eligibility.

**Facilities:** Our handicapped accessible facility is located within the boundaries of the 866-acre Springbrook State Park. Our fully heated/air-conditioned dormitories with a capacity of 104 can meet most groups' overnight needs. Meeting rooms accommodate group sizes of 25 to 200. These rooms are equipped with wireless internet and audio visual equipment including ceiling mounted projection systems that will support PowerPoint, DVD or VHS presentations.

**Reservations:** Enclosed are reservation forms for the facility and meals. Please complete and return both to the Education Center 30 days before your visit. Estimated numbers may be used and updated up to 7 days prior to your arrival. Payment(s) for the facility (payable to DNR/CEC) and for meals/food (payable to Iowa Market) is due upon arrival. Fee descriptions and schedule are attached.

**Facility Location:** The Education Center is located approximately 55 miles northwest of Des Moines, Iowa, in Springbrook State Park near Guthrie Center. There are several ways to reach the Education Center -- consult the maps below for the most direct route for you.



**The Education Center staff seeks to provide quality standards in our facility and in the programs we offer. We are open to suggestions you or your group may have that would enhance your stay. If you have any questions, or would like to schedule your visit, please contact us at (641) 747-8383. Thank you, again, for your interest, and we look forward to your visit being a pleasant and educational one!**